

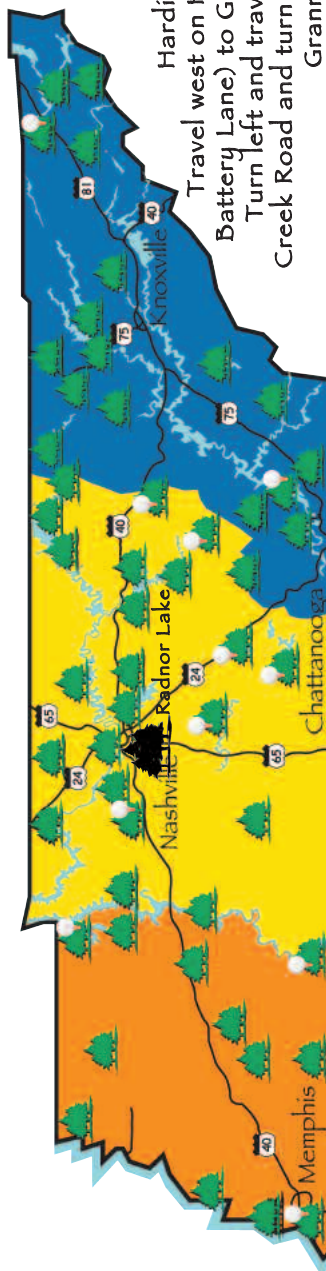


## Environmental Education Center

The Environmental Educational Center houses the Radnor Lake Archives. Research with academic partnerships and independent scholarly research is also welcome at Radnor's Environmental Education Center



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Harding Place, Exit 78.  
Travel west on Harding Place (or  
Battery Lane) to Granny White Pike.  
Turn left and travel south to Otter  
Creek Road and turn left (across from  
Granny White Market).

## Hours of Operation:

**Park hours:** open daily 6:00am until dark

**Visitor's Center:** open daily 8:30am - 4:00pm; closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:00

## For Further Information, Contact:

Radnor Lake State Natural Area / 1160 Otter Creek Road / Nashville, TN. 37220  
Phone (615) 373-3467

**Or Contact:** Tennessee State Parks / 401 Church St., 7th Floor / Nashville, TN 37243  
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# TENNESSEE STATE PARKS RADNOR LAKE STATE NATURAL AREA







## Radnor Lake State Natural Area

is located seven miles south of Nashville in the Overton Hills. This 1200+ acre natural area is a Day Use Area Only. Radnor Lake is the State's first and most visited Natural Area. Wildlife is abundant in this Class II Natural Area. Visitors get the opportunity to view an assortment of migratory waterfowl and songbirds, reptiles, amphibians, and whitetail deer. Spring wildflowers grow in spectacular abundance and lush growths of herbs, mosses, fungi, and ferns grow in season while shrubs, vines, and magnificent trees are ever present.

## Historical Significance

Radnor Lake was constructed in 1914 by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad as a source of water for their steam engines. With the end of the steam locomotives, Radnor's water was no longer needed for its original purpose. Eventually development threatened. Locals and State officials intervened and raised funds to buy Radnor Lake. This was the birth of Tennessee's First State Natural Area.

## Visitors' Center

Inside the Visitors Center, a visitor can get trail maps, brochures, information on local environment / organizations, and information on interpretative programs by the park ranger staff.

Information is also available at the East entrance restroom kiosk and at the historic caretaker's residence kiosk at the spillway bridge.

## Activities

Activities at Radnor Lake include hiking, wildlife observation, photography and interpretive programs along the park trails. Bicycles, jogging and pets are not permitted on any of the trails, but are allowed on Otter Creek Road.

## Planned Programs

Park Ranger led environmental educational programs ranging from wildflower hikes to reptile programs are available at a variety of times. A program schedule listing programs led by state park rangers is available at the Visitor Center or at [www.radnorlake.org](http://www.radnorlake.org).



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